



Office of CTE Newsletter
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This update is provided by the Indiana Office of Career and Technical Education, housed under the Governor's Workforce Cabinet. We welcome your support in encouraging anyone who would benefit from the information to join our listserv. Individuals can [sign up here](#). Questions can be shared with CTE@gov.IN.gov.

NLPS Review Document

The NLPS Review Document has been updated. OCTE staff have been working through a variety of necessary revisions/updates that have been identified internally or provided via feedback from the field. The updated document is [available here](#).

Recent updates to the document are summarized on Page 1 of the Review Document and shared below:

- Introductory Courses - standards have been added for several Introductory and previously existing courses that were posted elsewhere.
- Criminal Justice – corrections have been made to the postsecondary alignment and dual credit availability for these courses.
- Business Administration - the Marketing Fundamentals course has been added as an option.
- Aviation Management - Vincennes University courses have been added back to the postsecondary alignment.
- Marketing – assignment codes have been added to the Strategic Marketing and Digital Marketing courses.
- Biotechnology – course summaries and a draft of competencies have been added.
- Water Systems – course summaries and a draft of competencies have been added.
- Locally Created Concentrator Sequence – the nonstandard courses to operate a locally created CTE Concentrator program have been added under the CTE section of courses.
- Commercial Driver – courses for the CDL Concentrator sequence have been added.

The NLPS Review Document provides a complete overview of each Next Level Program of Study, including the following items:

- The 4-course sequence for each pathway
- Course standards and competencies
- The postsecondary courses each NLPS course has been aligned to
- Dual Credit course eligibility
- Teacher assignment codes
- Course funding levels

Some additional small updates will continue to be made throughout the spring. Please share with our team at CTE@gov.IN.gov if you notice any necessary updates/fixes to the document.

Legislative Update

The Indiana General Assembly is now in the back half of the 2023 legislative session. Most items of interest to the CTE community are still working their way through the legislative process. The latest version of the proposed state budget includes an increase in the GWC's current line item for industry certifications and an increase for high-value CTE programs over the next two years. Additional information will be shared in future updates as more complete information is known on the budget and other proposed legislation, including House Bill 1002.

2023 CTE Awards for Excellence

Nominations have now closed for the annual CTE Awards for Excellence. Review committees have been formed and are in the process of reviewing the applications. Award winners will be notified in early April.

The Office of CTE is excited to have Ivy Tech Community College President Dr. Sue Ellspermann as this year's keynote speaker. The annual AFE ceremony celebrates accomplished secondary and postsecondary students, programs of study, employer partnerships, and school counselors and career coaches in CTE throughout the state. This year's event will be held on May 3, 2023, in Indianapolis.

Upcoming InTERS Webinar

Title: Using InTERS Pathways site for Graduation Pathways

Date/Time: April 11th from 10am-11:30 am

Attend via Microsoft Teams:

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

This webinar will cover how to use the [InTERS Pathways Search App](#) to look up and verify student attainment of an industry recognized credential or certification as well as Career and Technical Education concentrator status prior to submitting them to the graduate report at IDOE. Our data team continues to add features to the InTERS Pathways Search App and this webinar will be a great opportunity to learn about many of the recent updates.

Work-Based Learning Workshops

The Office of CTE will be holding two workshops later this spring focused on key aspects of work-based learning experiences, with a particular emphasis on youth apprenticeship. The workshops will be facilitated in partnership with Ascend Indiana.

The dates and times for the two workshops are provided below. To register, [click here](#). Specific locations will be shared with registrants closer to the event dates.

WBL Workshop #1:

Location: Elkhart

Date: May 4

Time: 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

WBL Workshop #2:

Location: Bedford

Date: May 5

Time: 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

Reminder on Course Transitions

Based on some recent questions, this information is provided as a reminder about what courses will be phased out after the 23-24 school year.

The High School CTE Course Titles and Descriptions [found here](#) (this content is all included in the more comprehensive DOE Course Titles and Descriptions document as well) is the best resource to utilize to answer questions of this nature. As described on Page 2 of the document, only the courses listed in Part II of the document are being phased out after the 2023-2024 school year.

A course such as Preparing for College and Careers, or other courses that are not part of a specific NLPS concentrator sequence, will still be available. Many of these general courses can be found in the section titled “Career and Technical Education and Work-Based Learning” in the Table of Contents.

New Office of CTE Staff

The Office of CTE is excited to welcome two new program coordinators, Linsay Osos and Jennifer Larsen. Both Jennifer and Linsay will be assisting our team with providing additional support to schools and career centers in implementing NLPS. Linsay will have a particular focus on serving CTE students who are included in one of the special populations identified in Perkins V. Jennifer will have a particular focus on building out the OCTE's career advising efforts.

Linsay joined the OCTE after over a decade of experience as a high school social studies teacher. Jennifer was a K-12 school counselor for 16 years and most recently served as a grant coordinator at Ivy Tech for the New Skills Ready Network.

An updated list of OCTE staff and their email addresses can be [found here](#).